FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVALS, INC. NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

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ACCOUNTANTS' COMPILATION REPORT

To the Board of Directors of French Quarter Festivals, Inc. New Orleans, LA

We have compiled the accompanying statement of financial position of French Quarter Festivals, Inc. (a nonprofit organization) as of December 31, 2011, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or provide any assurance about whether the financial statements are in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.

Our responsibility is to conduct the compilation in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants The objective of a compilation is to assist management in presenting financial information in the form of financial statements without undertaking to obtain or provide any assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements.

Management has elected to omit substantially all of the disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. If the omitted disclosures were included in the financial statements, they might influence the user's conclusions about the Organization's financial position, changes in net assets, and cash flows. Accordingly, these financial statements are not designed for those who are not informed about such matters.

We are not independent with respect to French Quarter Festivals, Inc.

November 26, 2012

Certified Public Accountants

Ericlosen, Westel + JaPorte, LLP

FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVALS, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2011

(See Accountants' Compilation Report)

ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	93,331
Accounts receivable		14,152
Prepaid expenses		2,295
Other current assets		2,043
Investments		331,173
Equipment - net of accumulated depreciation of \$13,599		867
Total assets	<u>\$</u>	443,861
<u>LIABILITIES:</u>		
Accounts payable	\$	2,450
Accrued payroll liabilities	<u></u>	2,831
Total liabilities		5,281
NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted		377,330
Temporarily restricted		61,250
Total net assets		438,580
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	443,861

FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVALS, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

(See Accountants' Compilation Report)

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

Public Support and Other Revenues:		
Beverage sales	\$	741,520
Event income		27,084
Food booth rental		261,705
Merchandise		197,718
Sponsorship		566,431
Advertising income		65,683
Grant income		123,825
Other income		81,814
Revenues released from restrictions		5,000
Total unrestricted public support and other revenues		2,070,780
Expenses:		
Program services		1,468,846
Supporting services.		
Management and general		500,374
Fundraising		26,789
Total supporting services		527,163
Total expenses		1,996,009
Net change in unrestricted net assets		74,771
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED:		
Contributions for periods after December 31, 2011		66,250
Released from restrictions		(5,000)
Net change in temporarily restricted net assets		61,250
Change in net assets		136,021
Net assets, beginning of year		302,559
Net assets, end of year	\$	438,580

FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVALS, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

(See Accountants' Compilation Report)

CASH FLOWS FROM (USED FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES:

Change in net assets	\$	136,021
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		
from (used for) operating activities		
Depreciation expense		2,893
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease in accounts receivable		31,963
(Increase) in prepaid expenses		(2,295)
Decrease in other current assets		54
(Decrease) in accounts payable		(39,356)
(Decrease) in accrued payroll liabilities		(714)
(Decrease) in deferred revenue		(4,500)
Net cash from operating activities		124,066
CASH FLOWS (USED BY) INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of investments		(110,040)
Net cash (used by) investing activities		(110,040)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		14,026
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year		79,305
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$</u>	93,331

FRENCH QUARTER FESTIVALS, INC. SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011

We have compiled the financial statements of French Quarter Festivals, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated November 26, 2012. We conducted our compilation in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We did not audit or review the financial statements and, accordingly, did not express an opinion or provide any assurance about whether the financial statements of French Quarter Festivals, Inc. were in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

During our engagement to compile the financial statements, we became aware of the following matter that we have reported to the management of French Quarter Festivals, Inc.

FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2011-01 Failure to Timely File Compiled Financial Statements

<u>Condition</u> – The Organization failed to submit its annual report to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's office within six months of the close of its fiscal year on December 31, 2011.

<u>Criteria</u> – Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 requires entities receiving governmental funds in Louisiana to submit an annual report to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's office within six months of the close of the entity's fiscal year.

<u>Effect</u> – The Organization failed to comply with the timely filing requirements of Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513.

<u>Cause</u> – In previous years the Organization did not receive the level of funding which would require the filing of their reports as outlined in Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513. Because of the Organization's unfamiliarity with Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, the Organization was unaware of its filing obligation and failed to submit its financial report in a timely fashion

Recommendation - The Organization should designate an individual to become knowledgeable with the filing requirements and to monitor compliance with the submission of reports required under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513.

Response - See Management's Corrective Action Plan for their response.



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French Quarter Festivals, Inc. (Organization) respectfully submits the following corrective action plan for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Name and address of public accounting firm:

Ericksen, Krentel & LaPorte, L L P. 4227 Canal Street New Orleans, Louisiana 70119 Contact: Claude M Silverman, CPA

Reporting: 01/01/2011 to 12/31/2011

Our response to the Schedule of Findings reported in connection with our December 31, 2011 financial statements is discussed below.

2011-01 Failure to Timely File Compiled Financial Statements

<u>Recommendation</u>: The Organization should designate an individual to become knowledgeable with the filing requirements and to monitor compliance with the submission of reports required under Louisiana Revised Statute 24.513.

<u>Response</u>: The Organization has designated an individual, Business Manager David Stover, to become knowledgeable with the filing requirements and to monitor compliance with the submission of reports required under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513.

If there are any questions regarding this plan, please call Marci Schramm at (504) 522-5730.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

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